The Cochin Food Adulteration Regulation—Administration of.

99. **Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.**—Will the Government be pleased to state if the Regulation prohibiting the sale of adulterated food stuffs is strictly adhered to in the State?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—No. The necessary draft rules for rendering the Regulation workable have only just been approved and published in the Gazette for public criticism.

Complaints against the Lady Doctor at the Maternity and Child Welfare Centre, Nemmara.

100. **Mr. R. Viswanathan Chettiar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of Maternity and Child Welfare Centres in Cochin State;

(b) how many health visitors and lady doctors have been appointed in each centre;

(c) may I know their duties;

(d) are they not bound to attend labour cases in houses if they are called for;

(e) did not the Director of Public Health and Panchayats receive from Nemmara a complaint against the local lady doctor;

(f) if the answer is in the affirmative, may I know kindly what steps have been taken so far in the matter?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—(a) Three centres have been opened at present.

(b) Nemmara centre.—1 lady doctor and 2 health visitors.
Irinjalakuda centre.—1 lady doctor and 3 health visitors.
Kunnamkulam centre.—1 lady doctor and 3 health visitors.

(c) The duties of the health visitors are to visit the houses in their respective jurisdiction for purposes of registering cases of pregnant women, infants and toddlers and giving the necessary advice to the people with regard to personal hygiene, midwifery care, management and feeding of infants, etc., and the Medical officers in charge of the centres have to supervise the work of the health visitors and give the necessary medical aid and advice free in times of necessity to the ailing public.

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(d) Yes.

(e) Yes.

(f) The Director of Public Health and Panchayats personally enquired about the complaints. Also the necessary explanations were called for from the Medical Officer and she has been directed not to give room for any such complaints future.

APPENDIX I.

(Question No. 81.)

Copy of the Circular dated 11th February 1931, Dis. No. 1690-D-1106.

The Diwan had occasion to observe that even in the lower grades, undergraduates are sometimes superseded by graduates with less service. The Diwan does not think that graduates should thus be put over the heads of undergraduates already in service in grades the work of which under-graduates can satisfactorily discharge.

(Signed)
C. G. HERBERT,
Diwan of Cochin.

APPENDIX II.

(Question No. 82.)

Scale of registration fees up to Rs. 100 before the year 1103.

Particulars	Fees Rs.	A.	P.
1. When the length does not exceed 300 words and the value does not exceed Rs. 50	0	8	0
2. When the length exceeds 300 words and the value does not exceed Rs. 50	1	0	0
3. When the value exceeds Rs. 50 but does not exceed Rs. 100	1	0	0
Present scale of registration fees up to Rs. 100			
1. When the value does not exceed Rs. 10	0	4	0
2. When the value exceeds Rs. 10 but does not exceed Rs. 25	0	6	0
3. When the value exceeds Rs. 25 but does not exceed Rs. 50	0	8	0

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